'A Reunion of Old and Young Soldiers at Murphy's Last Night.

EXCELLENT BANQUET SERVED

Many Distinguished Men Present and the Speeches a Feature of the Evening.

The members of the Richmond Howitzer Association, veterans of many hatties and men who in the piping days of peace have served their country with hardly less distinction and honor, met with the members of the battery of to-day, heirs of the achievements of their distinguished predecessors, around the feetail board last night in celebration of the twenty-eight annual reunion and to partake of an elogant banquet with which the auspicious occasion was commemorated. A number of noteworthy guests sat with the old holders and the younger ones around the well filled tables, spread in the banquet liel of Murphy's Hotel Annex last night, and after partaking of the bountiful menspread before them. Histened to reminiscences, many of which had all the charm of romance with the added interest of fact and history,

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tended to have it, a statement projects of the aftermath.

MAJOR JOHNSTON SPEAKS.

The first speaker introduced by Judge Christian was Major John W. Johnston.

Major Johnston spoke eloquently and gracefully of the achievements of the Howitzers, and in his reference to the dedication of the Howitzer monument. December 13, 1892, he paid a fine titlu e to Legh Robinson, now of Washington, D. C. The speaker was enthusiasitally received.

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George Hobough, of West Point, Probably Fatally Wounded There.

a rovolver. Being himself unarmed, he turned around and started back down Seventh Street with the negro in pursuit Seventh Street with the negro in pulsuit of him and close behind him, attempting at every step to shoot him. The revolver snapped and missed fire several times when the negro was in two or three feet of his victim. Finally after several attempts, the weapon was discharged and the negro kept on shooting. Mr. Hoboush exhausted by his run and his wound, for one builet had taken effect, ran into a doorway to escape his murderous pursuer and fell just inside. While he was laying prostrate within the doorway the negroagain shot him this time in the hip.

A crowd of negroes who had watched the pursuit and the crime, then called to Clements to run, and he did so. A possof clitzens quickly formed and sent out

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ADVERTISE

Real Estate Men to Make Known Her Unparalleled Advantages to Home-Seekers. ,

A GREAT GATHERING TO-DAY

Sessions on Two Days to Form Association and Arrange Publication of "Virginiana."

Representative real estate men and other public spirited citizens gather at Mucphy's Hotel at 11 o'clock this morning for the purpose of forming a State association, believing that such an organ ization has a great patriotic work to do Back of the movement are two circumstances. One is that Virginia's land fertile and moderate in cost, the old State's charming climate unsurpassed the world over, her social and educational enjoyments, the equal of any in the Union, are all too little known. The other is closely akin to it. That if these advantages were generally known hundreds of home seekers who are going elsewhere with far less to gain, would come to Vir-

ginia.

The meeting will be held in Murphys Annex. Judge J. O. Shepherd, of Buena Vis.a, will be the temporary chairman, and Colonel Cary R. Randolph, of Charlottes-

ville, temporary secretary.

The first step will be the election of a The first stop will be the election of a permanent chalrman, and other permanent officers. From what could be learned around the hotels last night, apparently Mr. John Stewart Walker, of Lynchburg is the favorite for the permanent headship of the organization Who the remaining officers will be cannot be even surmised. Much of this morning will be given over to expressions of the wisdom

of forming an association.

Governor A. J. Montague will speak briefly, explaining the purpose for calling together leading citizens of the State at this time. Hon. G. W. Koiner, Commissioner of Agriculture; Major M. V. Richields and the State at the William H. Boar and others. ardson, Hon. William H. Boaz and others

ardson, Hon. William H. Boaz and others are expected to speak.

It will be determined at this meeting whether other sessions will be held today. The body will be in session also tomorrow. It is safe to forecast that the one result of the meetings will be the formation of a Virginia Real Estate Association and the appointment of a compatible of the prepare a creditable publica-

mittee to prepare a creditable publica-tion setting forth attractively the State's resources and inducements to settlers. The movement cannot help being a suc-cess. It has received the endorsement of the foremost men in the State and the State, and the press in every section is working hard for it. The Governor of working has to the addresses to-day, and it is expected that Senator Martin will be present. The entire delegation in Congress has expressed most cordial sympathy with the movement and the end to be sought. Presidents and high officials of a number of railroads have offered their support. Further than this, not less than two hundred and fifty real estate men in the tSate have sent their names to be enrolled as members. A leading dealer in real estate who is deeply interested in the meetings to be held at this time said last night:

"It is probable that nearly all the legitimate dealers in real property will join. The organization is to include all who deal in property, either city agents, countered." the State will make one of the addresses

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The organization is to include all who deal in property, either city agents, country agents, rental agents—fact all brokers and dealers in real property."

Quite a large number of agents came in yesterday to attend the meeting. Others will come on the early trains to-day. Richmond will send a strong delegation.

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Here is a partial list of men and firms already active in the promotion of the real estate association: O. E. D. Barron, Norfoik: N. W. Bowe, Richmond; Frank Brown, Powhaton Courthouse; George L. Isrowning, Madison; J. Thompson Brown, Hichmond; LeRoy E. Brown Richmond; C. A. Bryan, Stafford; W. R. Broaddis, West Point; C. R. Beigh, Providence Forge; S. H. Burt, Berford Cily; E. A. Catlin, Richmond; J. A. Connelly, Hichmond; A. H. Chements, West Appomattox; Deverall and Fornes, Clairmont; J. N. Davis & Co., Woodstock; J. C. Easley, Richmond; Ed. Gallesher, Gloucester Point; R. L. Greeer, Front Dale; L. T. Hyatt, Jonesville; M. B. Mariow, Alexandria; Charles Hime, Vienna; T. S. Harris Hatris Grove; E. B. Jackson, Norfoik; Pierce Loving, Lovinsston; R. F. Moss, Booker; S. B. McFall, Harrisonburg; John B. Neil, Berryville; R. Y. Polard, Cumnor; Pollard & Bagby, Richmond; Edward S. Rose, Richmond; H. A. Raw; H. B. Snith, Jr., Richmond; H. A. Ronburg, John B. Ne II. Berryville; R. M. Po lard, Cumnor; Pollard & Bagby, Richmond; Edward S. Rose, Richmond; W. N. Ruffin, Danville; O. L. Shackellerd, Warsaw; H. B. Snith, Jr., Richmond; H. A. Slavin Monterey; George W. St. Clair, Tazewell; J. O. Shepherd, Palmyra; J. C. McKennie, Charlottesville; Horbert Cloud, Charlottesville; W. H. Wolfe, Charlottesville; Robert Somners, Farmville; B. E. Watson, Fulaski; John Slewart Walker Lynchburg; T. M. Wortham, Hchmond; J. E. Warren, Newport News; P. E. W. Ison, Staunton; C. W. Wool/olk, Orange; J. T. Wampler, Culpoper; W. II. Tinsley, Stlem; I. E. Youngblood, Norfolk: L. W. Roberts Williamsburg; R. S. Brooks, Portsmouth; Virginia Realty Trust Company, Richmond; Via & Strotlier, Stuatt; W. Hodge Mann, Petersburg; J. J. Gates, Louisa; C. H. Gates, Louisa; E. S. Finney, Lebannon; J. J. Gilman, Lebanon.

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More Than One-Third of Those Registered May Cast Their Ballots.

Manchester Bureau Times-Dispatch, l No. 1102 Hull Street, f

The number of voters who paid their capitation taxes up to the time limit last night was small. The list may be increased by probably fifty veterans, whose to pay the poll tax.

When the treasurer's office closed at ' whites and 24 colored persons who had paid their capitation taxes. This makes veterans who may not have paid their taxes. This is a little more than one third of the number of persons eligible to wote so far as age and other qualifications are concerned.

The population of Manchester is about

colored persons are on the registration Those who did not register up to yester-

day cannot take part in the June elec-

BOARD OF ALDERMEN. A member of the Board of Aldermen said last night that if the resolution in-creasing the membership of the City Council, which was defeated at the meeting of the lower branch last week, comes up at the meeting of the Board to-night

up at the meeting of the Board to-night, it will probably suffer a similar defeat "Council is too unwelldly now." he said, "Take the Fire Board, for instance, with its sixteen members, it is hard to get a quorum. The larger a body, the harder it is to get a sufficient number present to transact business.

Two other members of the Board said less after, that they favored immediate.

last night that they favored immediate action on the resolution, and one of them said he would like to see the muniber whip or the Board increased to twelve, three from each ward, and he will prohably offer a resolution to that effect at the meeting to night.

the meeting to-night. It was learned last night that a membe of the lower branch, who had voted against the resolution last Friday night

against the resolution last Friday night would get up a call for a special meeting of that body to reconsider the action taken.

He said he voted under a misapprehension of the facts, and realized that such action as that mentioned in the resolution drawn up by City Attorney Page, would have to be taken, in order to carry out the provisions of the Constitution and the acts of Assembly.

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The new Home at Eleventh and Brinder Streets is fast getting in snape. Carpenters and decorators are transforming the old building into a beautiful place, and by the ist of February, the lodge hopes to be in its new quarters.

These new members were elected at the metting last night. The lodge is in a most prosperous condition.

The funeral of Mr. Aubrey Knorr will be from the residence, No. 226 East Tenth Street, at 11 o'clock this morning.

Mr. Knorr died shortly after 7 o'clock Sunday evening, aged sixty-eight years. He was an old and well known citzen. He came here from France many years ago, and served in the Twelfth Alabama Regiment during the war, being wounded at Seven Fines.

HEARING IS BEGUN

Supreme Court Begins Consideration of Northern Securities Company Case.

INTERESTING ARGUMENTS

Attorney-General Did Not Conclude Presentation of Government View of the Contest.

(By Associated Press.) AVASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 14.-The Supreme Court of the United States today began hearing arguments in the case of the Northern Securities Company, the great Northern Railroad Company, the Northern Pacific Company, James J. Hill, J. Plerpont Morgan, Daniel S. Lamont, and others vs. the United States, coming to this court on appeal from the decision of the Circuit Court for the District of Minnesota.| That decision was to the effect that the purchase of the greater share of the stock of the two railroad companies constituted a merger and was contrary to their Sherman anti-trust law. The case involves the community of in-

contrary to their Sherman anti-trust law. The case involves the community of interest principle.

There has been much interest in the case, and when it was called to-day the court-room was crowded both inside and outside the bar. Attorney-General Knox was present with an array of assistants, while the opposition was presented by a long list of distinguished counsel, including Former Attorney-General Griggs, John G. Johnson, of Philadelphia; C. W. Bunn and Charles B. Young, Justice Brown was the only member of the court not present. Among those present were Mrs. Roosevelt and Mrs. Knox.

John G. Johnson, representing the Northern Securities Company, took sharp exception to the decision of the Circuit Court that the possession of the power which the Securities Company was a violation of the law and contended that such holding was not in accordance with decision of the Supreme Court, which were uniformly to the effect that it is the abuse of power and not the possession of it that constitutes the offense.

BRIEF OUTLINE.

Mr. Johnson said that what he had to say would be stated in six propositions, which he outlined briefly as follows:

The first is that there was no agreement, contract, combination or conspiracy to restrain compellition between these two railways companies, or to restrain trade.

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trade.

The second proposition is that if two railway companies, somewhat in competition with themselves, find it necesary, in order to sustain their competition against a third company, which other competitions are the company. sary, in order to sustain their competition against a third company, which otherwise could destroy them or greatly interfere with their usefulness to the public, to combine in anyway for the purpose of protecting themselves against destruction; that the court must look to the matter as one of fact, to determine whether the real purpose was to destroy a smaller competition in order to promote trade by the establishment of the freater competition.

The third proposition is that if the holding of, the Northern Securities Company of the majority shares of the two companies was a violation of the Sherman act, of course an agreement amongst any number of persons would be a violation of that act.

The fourth proposition is that the first section of the Sherman act does not in any way condemn as illegal the acquisition or ownership of the shares of the two competing companies.

The fifth proposition is that the second section of the Sherman act does not in any way condemn the acquisition and holding of such ownership of shares.

IS UNCONSTITUTIONAL.

The sixth proposition is that if the Sherman act does condemn as illegal the ownership of a controlling interest in the shares of the competing railway com-

the contrary the purpose had been to en large and promote trade,

Mr. Johnson urged that the owners of
the shares of stock have the property
right to transfer their shares and that
it would be an absurdity to speak of
such a transfer between individuals as

He contended that corporations shoul

have the same right as individuals. To contend otherwise, he declared, would lead to untold mischlets.

Justice White interrupted Mr. Johnson to observe that as he understood the point it would be unlawful for a corporation to de what an individual might do.

son to observe that as he understood the point it would be unlawful for a corporation to do what an individual might do. "In which case," continued Justice White, "you leave the power to compete only in the hands of a very wealthy individual. Is not the answer to this, that the facility with which corporations can be formed renders much more feasible the existence of the competion that would exist in case only a very rich man could exercise that power?"

SOMETHING NEW.

Mr. Johnson admitted in reply that that was a common sense view and then reverted to the decision of the Circuit Court against the Securities Companies because it has the power to restrain trade. Mr. Johnson declared that this decision was something new in jurisprudence.

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because it has the power to restrain trade. Mr. Johnson declared that this decision was something new in jurisprudence.

"Few of us have a desire to commit murder," he said, "but many of us use a raxor, which gives us the power to murder."

TO PREVENT COMPETITION.

The attorney general, concluding his pre-entation of evolution of the securities company, said:

"Those facts clearly establish that it is an instrumentality created to control the Northern Pacific and Great Northern railroads, and through their ownership of the Burlington, to control that road like wise,"

wise,"
At this point Justice White reminded Mr. Krox that he had made reference in the beginning of his argument to the act of Congress, organizing the Northern Pacific oad and asked him if the care rests upon that act. Mr. Knox replied that it did not, and added that he merely referred to that legislation in reply to the restrictions that the government had undertaken to interfere in a case in which it had no interest. The attorney general was able before adjournment to



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announce only one proposition by way of argument, and that was contained in the following sentence:

"The merger of interests was a combination in restraint of commerce among the States, and was intended so to be, and with or without proven intention it is uliegal, as by virtue of the combination, it is guilty of mischlef which the law is designed to prevent, namely, it bings transportation and trade throughout a vast sect on of country under the controling influence of a single body, and destroys any possible advantages the public might have through any competition between the two lines."

The court adjourned until to-morrow, when Mr. Knox will continue.

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